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**Amy Kapostasy**  
 District Governor

# ROTARY DISTRICT 6630 NEWS

**Mike Johns, Jr**  
 Editor

## June 2018

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## Governor's Letter

Dear Rotary Family & Friends,

Thank you to all of the 2017-18 Presidents for your time and commitments to your clubs and for continuing to "Make a Difference", in the communities which you live and for leading your clubs to do good in the world.

Being District Governor has been an amazing process and experience in my life. It has made me realize just how small the world is. It has given me the gift of life lasting friendships, an education

you can't buy or put a price on. The clubs in District 6630 have made me marvel and so proud of all of the service projects, scholarships, caring for the homeless, literacy projects, swimming camps, helping our elderly, this list can go on.

This District and every Rotarian in 6630 should be proud and boastful of the love you give and all that you do. I know because of the nature of your beings and so many kind people I have met on this life lesson journey that we will continue to

do good in the world around us.

I have enjoyed and have learned an abundance of knowledge and gained so much respect for the Past District Governors and our Governors to come into leadership.

Thank you for all of your support, passion and love for Rotary. It have been a true privilege.

In Rotary,

District Governor Amy Kapostasy

As the school year rapidly draws to a close, awards banquets and ceremonies are starting to dish out the hardware.

Our Lake County young thespians are no different, thanks to the generous folks at the Painesville and Mentor Rotary clubs.

For the 43rd year, the Mentor-Painesville Rotary Drama Awards honored what, in their view, was the best of the best in area high school theater.

The program, the brainchild of Painesville Rotarian Robert Tischer, came about because he believed that students who participate in school theater productions should receive recognition similar to that bestowed upon students who participated in athletics.

"Students of drama are no less talented and give much of themselves and their time," according to their program description. "The dedication and efforts of these students are worthy of a night of recognition."

In addition to recognizing the schools and multiple actors, the Robert E. Tischer Scholarship was awarded to Becca Kuch of Mentor and Malik Montgomery from Fairport from donations from the Tischer family and the Mentor/Painesville Rotary Clubs. The Fischer family was there to present.

This year, the awards ceremony was held at Perry High School on May 8. Below you will see the participating schools with the winners

designated by an asterisk. Congratulations to all of our area young thespians for another great year of high school theater.

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\*Fairport Harding High School's production of "The Addams Family," directed by Johnathan Luster

Harvey High School's production of "Shrek the Musical," directed by Kimberly Hildack & Carley Hosler

Lake Catholic High School's production of "little Shop of Horrors," directed by R Scott Posey

\*Mentor High School's production of "The Music Man," directed by John Greene

Perry High School's production of "Beauty and The Beast," directed by Allen Kellogg & Elizabeth Singer

Riverside High School's production of "High School Musical," directed by Laura Poje

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Fairport Harding High School's production of "Steel Magnolias," directed by Johnathan Luster

Harvey High School's production of "Three Japanese

Ghost Stories," directed by Carley Hosler

\* Lake Catholic High School's production of "Panic Broadcast of 1938," directed by R Scott Posey

Mentor High School's production of "Inherit the Wind," directed by John Greene

Perry High School's production of "The Seussification of Romeo & Juliet," directed by Jennifer Hunter

Riverside High School's production of "Peter and The Star Catcher," directed by Brad Allen

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Harvey: Marcus Mendez-Gibson as Chief Priest

Lake Catholic: Sean Jones as Lester and Joe Ivancic as Nestor

Mentor: Fintan Bracken as Bertram Cates

Perry: Olivia Flauto as Benvolio/Bathasar

\* Riverside: Andy Kochevar as Black Stache and Jordan Dunnigan as Smee

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\* Fairport: Aleena Hess as Quiser Boudrealx and Michaela Hess as Clairee

Belcher  
Harvey: Lauren Webster as Princess Toyo  
Lake Catholic: Hannah Santo as Jess  
Mentor: Elise Provident as Dav-

enport  
Perry: Maddi Snively as Nurse

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Harvey: Jayden Gilkerson as Chief Councillor

Lake Catholic: Thomas Horen as Tom and Austin Collins as Hank

Mentor: Jack Rigo as Rev. Jeremiah Brown

\* Perry: Patrick Noonan as Narrator 1

Riverside: Devyn Dffenbacher as Prentiss and Brynna Wright as Ted

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Fairport: Abby Brennan as Annelle Dupuy and Maya Hess as Shelby Eatenton Latcherie

Harvey: Anika Englehart as Cat

Lake Catholic: Julia Schoen as June Gilroy

Mentor: Darlene Moonnan as EK Hornbeck

Perry: Tia Gillespie as Narrator 2

\* Riverside: Serena Sanzo as Mrs. Bumbrake

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Harvey: Nathan Webster as Narrator

Lake Catholic: Sean Haffey as Andy and Hank Harris as Sheriff Carter

Mentor: James Elliott as Henry Drummond and Liam Klobas as Matthew Harrison Brady

\* Perry: Jaren Hodgson as Romeo

Riverside: Aidan Priester as Boy

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Fairport: Gabby Palmer as Truvy Jones and Victoria Palmer as M'Lynn Eatenton

Harvey: Olivia Dickinson as Doctor

Lake Catholic: Anna Mancari as Margie Carter

\* Mentor: Claire Mitchell as Rachel Brown

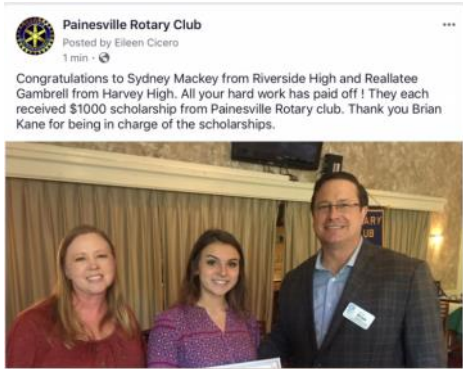
Perry: Gabriella Todd as Juliet

Riverside: Brooke Hartley as Molly Aster

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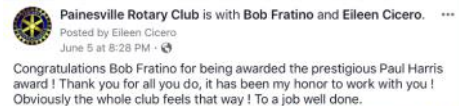
Fairport: Devin Allen as Pugsley Addams

Harvey: Davis Tackett as Lord Farquaad



Painesville Rotary Club  
Posted by Eileen Cicero  
1 min · 🌐

Congratulations to Sydney Mackey from Riverside High and Reallatee Gambrell from Harvey High. All your hard work has paid off! They each received \$1000 scholarship from Painesville Rotary club. Thank you Brian Kane for being in charge of the scholarships.



Painesville Rotary Club is with Bob Fratio and Eileen Cicero. ...  
Posted by Eileen Cicero  
June 5 at 8:28 PM · 🌐

Congratulations Bob Fratio for being awarded the prestigious Paul Harris award! Thank you for all you do, it has been my honor to work with you! Obviously the whole club feels that way! To a job well done.





Here are pictures from last week-end's Jefferson Rotary Club Father's Day Dash. The event was a success with nearly 40 participants and eight community sponsors:



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Above picture taken Thursday night (6/14/15) of Jefferson Rotary Club as we planted flowers around the Jefferson War Veterans Memorial Fountain

As you recall, we have been discussing Trevor Sprague's critical medical situation for the past two years at our Cluster meetings. You may have seen the article in the Sunday, June 3rd, Star Beacon about Trevor and his Sister – Brean. Brean had been diagnosed with the same IGA nephropathy as Trevor. Trevor was having home dialysis for eight to ten hours each night / five to six days a week. Over the past year, various Rotarians have stepped up to undergo compatibility testing at the Cleveland Clinic without success. Brean underwent a procedure and it was discovered that she does not have IGA nephropathy and has healthy kidneys! On May 23rd, Brean donated a kidney in a successful operation to Trevor. Trevor is doing well and has a new energy! Brean is also doing well, but can't work for two months (zero income), has some significant medical bills, and has a daughter in college, two children at home as well as two foster children at home. The Ashtabula Rotary Club and I are asking each of you to immediately review this story with your respective Boards and we are asking your Clubs to contribute any amount to that you can afford to help Brean. This should be done NOW. Any questions can be directed to myself or one of the Presidents at the Ashtabula Club.

The Andover Club is having a new and potentially large and profitable fundraiser. I am sure that you join me in our pride of this Club and how it has come so far, in a positive direction, from the brink of closing. Their President, Russ Coltman and President Elect, Ron York have been instrumental in this success. I have attached a flyer of their new event "Boots" to this email. Please announce this at your meetings and I encourage you and your membership to support Andover by attending.

Thank you,  
 Joe Rodgers



Joy Black  
Chesterland Rotary

Emerald Rose is a group who advocate the recognition of mental health diagnosis. It is our hope that our community will strive to erase the stigma of such illnesses and encourage those suffering from it to reach out for treatment. Further we believe in the treatment model called Therapeutic Farming, where

Traditional medical treatment is combined with goal centered Art Therapy, counseling, peer support in an accepting environment . This residential program allows the resident to learn about his illness accept it and let it be part of their life not the total of their life.

To this end we host a Zucchini Festival with food, crafters, music and local businesses on Chardon Square. We are in need of volunteers, sponsors, Chinese auction items, musicians, crafters and others who want to share in a fun day to celebrate healthy living and the versatile vegetable Zucchini. The date is July 21 st, 10 am to 8 pm Saturday, Chardon Square is on St Rt 44 and St Rt 6. Please call 440-376-5097 or email joyblack286@gmail.com. Visit our web site www.emeraldrose.org for more information.

Thank you

Joy Black, RN. RPCV, BA  
Emerald Rose  
Remember "Service above Self"



Rotary believes investing in youth will build a better tomorrow. The District 4 Way Test Speech Contest is an excellent opportunity for high school students to develop critical thinking, practice communication skills and gain valuable public speaking experience.

Inspiring the next generation — that's what people of action do.

The most important thing in the Contest is for Clubs to take part.



The RC of Middlefield adapted physical education teacher, 2017/2018 club president with coordinating groups and rak with help from special needs for the idea Cluster Rotary members holds the 7th. annual special needs students fishing derby on Monday 5/21/18

On Monday 5/21/18 this annual event for children with severe and special needs from all around Geauga County were treated to one of their favorite events of the year. A fishing derby is held for them at the Walter C. Best Wildlife Preserve and lake in Munson Township just south of Chardon, OH. The preserve is one of the gems of the Geauga Park System. Through cooperation with the Park District, Geauga County Rotary clubs, The Chip Henry Institute for outdoor adventure, and the Geauga County Educational Service Center the entire park facility is closed to the public to let the children enjoy a highly organized and managed day of outside



activities with their aides. Other cooperating agencies that take part are, Munson and Chardon fire departments and EMTs, the Geauga County Sheriff's office, Chardon Police Dept., The One Stop Fishing Shop, and Santa's Hideaway Hollow. Children who normally spend the day in a classroom environment are bussed to the park with their aides and shuttled around the fishing lake and the shelter on golf carts provided by Pleasant Hills Golf Course. O'reilly Equipment Company of Newbury, OH generously transports the carts to and from the park and they are driven by Rotary volunteers. The children get to interact with and enjoy all the police in attendance along with several mobile medical units for safety. This year's special treat was a visit from Santa Claus who arrived from Santa's Hideaway Hollow in Middlefield Township, a non-profit children's camp for special needs and terminally ill children. Eric Drennen, an

As usual the greatest rewards of the day are the excitement and smiles on the children's faces when they actually hook a fish and pull it in. Words are not needed to explain what it means to them since it is written all over their faces.



Burton-Middlefield Rotary Club President Jim Dvorak has headed this event since its inception seven years ago and volunteers from Burton-Middlefield, Chagrin Valley, Chesterland and Chardon Rotaries along with parents and others enjoy it almost as much as the children. Thanks to all who volunteered their time and energy to make this a tremendous success for 88 very special children.

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From Chesterland Rotary Club

Peter Tuttle

Soon after the hurricanes struck West Geauga Interact received a plea for help from a West G alumni teaching in St Thomas. They sprang into action and agreed to raise money to provided desperately needed school supplies. That goal soon expanded as they investigated and learned more about the needs and the opportunities to engage District 6630.

September Hurricanes Irma and Maria delivered a serious blow to St Thomas schools. Several elementary schools, and one middle school were a total loss and the rest, including two high schools suffered major damages. Several of the schools that survived were designated as emergency shelters.

Without power, the schools on half day schedules, reopened in October. This is remarkable as FEMA has reported that up to 80% of residences were destroyed or severely damaged. Residents did not have access to potable water, food, power and all the basics of normal life.

The needs are many, and significant, and five of the six of the local Rotary clubs remain active and are playing a key role in leading the recovery effort with support of Rotary clubs in the US and Europe.

The Interact Club brought the needs of the schools to the attention of the Rotary Club of Chesterland and we agreed to support the West Geauga Interact Club's initiative. This discussion lead to the opportunity for an RI matching education grant. After some further research and establishing contact with St Thomas Rotary, West Geauga Interact set their goal to raise \$20,000 and partner with Chesterland to apply for an RI matching grant. The grant brought their total goal to \$70,000.00

Their first step was to take the project district-wide and gain the support of all the Interact clubs in achieving their aggressive goal. With a wide variety of fund raisers and the support of

several Rotary clubs they are very near their initial goal with \$18,900 in the bank and pledges that will take them over \$20,000. Amazing job!!

However, this interact club is relentless. Our contact in St Thomas, Sinclair Wilkinson, reported that the Interact and Rotary clubs of St Thomas they had completed a needs assessment of the high school library that had been rendered inoperable. They would need over \$100,000 to restore the library and resume full service.

Larry Corbus of Chesterland Rotary and professional librarian visited St Thomas, met with Sinclair and St Thomas Library staff and confirmed their needs. Upon return he met with the West Geauga Interact club, presented his findings and the Club raised their goal to \$30,000. With matching grants of \$75,000 they will raise a total of \$105,000.



With \$18,900 in the bank and pledges they are well over \$20,000. With the support of District 6630 clubs they can achieve their goal of \$30,000. Contributions can be sent to:

Tracy Jemson PO Box 578, Burton, Ohio 44021

Make Checks Payable to: RI District 6630

Note on the Check: St Thomas Account

We are very appreciative of everyone's contribution to date and proud of the district wide commitment to the St Thomas project

Notes

Sinclair Wilkinson and his committee have focused on identifying a project for us that supports restoration of

education on the island of St Thomas. We have discussed several and they have recommended a project that involves restoring the school library of the Ivanna Eudora Kean High School. The Ivanna Eudora Kean High School founded in 1971 supports the rural community of St Thomas, has 1200 students and while operational, experienced significant damage loosing it's vocational education, library and music facilities. The library was closed for the year and they hope to reopen September 2018.

The Ivanna Eudora Kean school is currently operating on full sessions after some major repairs. This school supports both St Thomas and students from St John as the high school on nearby St John Island was lost. The primary mission of this school is to prepare students for employment and life following graduation as most will enter the workforce.

All library equipment, books and resource materials were lost. A committee comprised of school administration, Librarians and Rotarians provided a detailed inventory of needed equipment and books with an estimated value of \$121,500. The inventory includes copiers, projectors, cameras, laptops, bookcases and chairs as well as books and research resources.

On this project we will partner with the Rotary club of St. Thomas East that will be submitting a Grant through District 7020. We will submit a separate Grant application through our District 6630. The Rotary Club of St. Thomas East grant will provide the primary needs analysis for the Grant and if approved will be responsible for leading and overseeing the completion of the project. Chesterland Rotary will be responsible for distribution of the funds and accounting for their use.

The West Geauga Interact Club has agreed to support the library project and will continue fund raising through implementation. We will also be seeking support from clubs across District 6630 and the local business community. Should our [Cont'd on pg. 7.](#)



fund raising exceed the requirements of the library project, we will identify other opportunities on St Thomas to support restoration of the education system.

The U.S. Virgin Islands consist of the main islands of Saint Croix, Saint John, and Saint Thomas, and many other surrounding minor islands. The total land area of the territory is 133.73 square miles (346.36 km2).[3] The territory's capital is Charlotte Amalie on the island of Saint Thomas.

Population of the Virgin Islands is 110,00 with 50,000 on St Thomas. On St Thomas there are 17 public schools with 7,700 students. 2 high schools, 3 middle schools and 10 elementary. Additionally, there are several private elementary and secondary schools.

PDG 6630 Ohio Governor and Past Shelter Box USA Board of Director member and Shelter Box Board of Director Emeritus was one of the guest speakers at June 2018 RYLA conference held at Baldwin Wallace College in Berea, Ohio. Over 60 young students from high schools throughout Ohio were sponsored by District Rotary Clubs attended the 5 day conference.

After PDG Young made his presentation, the students were divided into 4 groups and with minimal instructions about setting up the basic tent, were timed how long each team took to set up the tent.

All teams did a tremendous job according to PDG Young with the winning team setting up the tent in 8 minutes and 13 seconds and the

longest time for a team to set up the tent was 20 minutes and 30 seconds. According to PDG Young the last time he had a group of Ohio Rotarians set up the tent in the same fashion, it took them over 28 minutes to set up the tent.



According to Rotarian and RYLA Advisor, Marc West, this exercise was a tremendous way for the students to demonstrate their leadership and communication skills. The students asked great questions

about all aspects of Shelter Box and their disaster relief and basic shelter relief efforts throughout the world. More importantly many ask how they could become involved.

For more information on Shelter Box please contact PDG Young. ( jack1villa@aol.com or 440-759-4000)

by PDG Jack Young

District 6630 Rotary PDG Jack Young has been reappointed to be the Inter American Region Vice Chair of the Fellowship of Scouting Rotarian' s for Rotary International. This region includes North, Central and South America. Over 76 Rotary Fellowships are International Groups that share a common passion. Being part of a Fellowship is a fun and educational way to make friends around the world, explore a hobby or profession and enhance your Rotary experience. Many local Rotary Clubs sponsor various scouting youth groups throughout the world and bring together Scouting Leaders and Rotarians.

At the Rotary International Convention held in Mexico City in 1991, several Rotarian's who were also involved in Scouts met and discussed how to provide an outlet for both interest through a fellowship group

within Rotary International. It was felt that because of these dual interest and involvement there should be many opportunities to past and present Scouters to further the Scouting/ Rotary ideals and relationships at local, regional, national and international levels.

Thus was born the International Fellowship of Scouting Rotarians (IFSR). Number over 1,000 members world side , IFSR promotes the Rotary motto of Service Above Self. The IFSR is a group of Rotarians dedicated to

promote the Scouting Movement Internationally. The Fellowship operates in accordance with Rotary International policy, but is not an agency of or controlled by Rotary International. The current President is PDF Mark Kriebel and the International Commission is PDG Brian Thiessen of California.

For more information on the Fellowship of Scouting Fellowship and how you can become involved please contact PDG Jack Young (440-759-4000 or Jack1villa@aol.com)

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Dear Friends,

Nicaragua is going through one of the most difficult moments of post-war times, we have had civic protests every day for 2 months, which have been brutally repressed by the government causing more than 200 murders of civilians, thousands of wounded and an undefined number of prisoners and disappearances, the great economic and social impact has strongly affected the Nicaraguan population.

The Chinandega 2001 Foundation is no stranger to the current situation, however, we remain committed to the community of Chinandega by providing the educational and health services that identify us, including medical brigades, which, due to the context in which we live, are demanded every day by our population.

Taking the previously mentioned dilemma into consideration, we have decided to send this communication to you, to request once again your solidarity and financial support in this difficult time. The aid collected would be used to continue our education projects where more than 800 children are benefited daily and perform more medical brigades, because the current crisis is overwhelming the public health system.

We are at your disposal to evaluate joint activities that can help us to obtain the resources that we urgently need, considering that the socio-political crisis, although it is overwhelming, does not show a short-term solution.

As a foundation we are promoting a new program through which we can provide a Humanitarian Package which will contained basic food and medicines, as well as medical attentions to poor population that has become more vulnerable as part of the crisis we're living.

The Humanitarian Packages that will be distributed to the most vulnerable includes basic food: rice, beans, oil, salt, sugar, water, oats and corn flour, among other things, we also added the required medical disposable material like gauze, liquid soap, compresses, antibiotic ointment as well as general drugs such as antibiotics, analgesics, vitamins to mention the most common.

The cost of each package is \$150 dollars, this is the cost that makes it possible to buy and distribute the packages as mentioned, this is a direct way to help the most vulnerable and needed people in the current crisis.

We thank you once again for the great help you have always provided, we wait with hope for your answer.

**Video of the Pacific Mother's Day**



**Video Mike Pence**

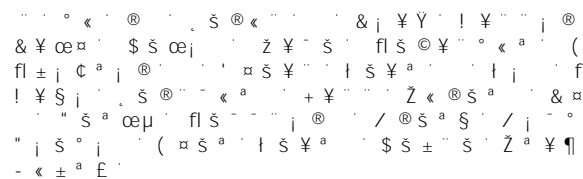


Best Regards,  
Frank Huezco

"This evening, Medina Sunrise Rotary proudly gathers together to honor 32 Rotarians and community service leaders whose lives of selfless service have earned them the recognition of a Paul Harris Fellow Award," said Rotary Foundation Chair William Koran. A Paul Harris Fellow is a distinction shared by service-minded men and women in more than one hundred nations, many of whom have made significant contributions to world peace and understanding. Individuals who further these efforts and by contributing \$1,000 to the Rotary Foundation can be named a Paul Harris Fellow. A Paul Harris Fellow is also someone in whose memory or honor \$1,000 is contributed to the Rotary Foundation. The Rotary Foundation transforms these gifts into service projects that change lives both close to home and around the world.

During the past 100 years, the Foundation has spent over \$3 billion on life-changing, sustainable projects, including: the eradication of Polio; saving mothers and children, building Peace Centers and sustainable water projects, supporting education and scholarship programs, and providing emergency food, shelter and tools to families around the world who have been robbed of their homes by natural disaster or crisis through our Nobel Peace Prize nominated partnership with ShelterBox.

We congratulate our Paul Harris Fellows, and with their help, Rotary can continue to make lives better in our community and around the world.



**PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS**

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In appreciation of tangible and significant assistance given for the furtherance of better understanding and friendly relations among peoples of the world.

**William J. Koran** **Dan H.S. Rusty**  
President, Chairman, Medina Sunrise Rotary President, Rotary International

**THE ROTARY FOUNDATION OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL**



The Rotary Club of Hudson inducted four new members with impressive records of community involvement. They each have become involved in various Rotary projects and are integrated into the Club's weekly programs. Two of these new members bring 20 years of experience with other Rotary clubs--we are fortunate that they relocated to Hudson.

Rotary welcomes:

Pat Scherer who joined the Great Trail Council, Boy Scouts of America, as Scout Executive July 2017, serving over 13,000 scouting families throughout Mahoning, Medina, Summit and Trumbull Counties. Pat has over 28 years Scouting experience including developing volunteer relationships, recruiting, fiscal management, staff leadership, property stewardship and computer operations.

Pat earned his BA in Economics, Political Science and History from St. Norbert College in DePere, Wisconsin. He was born and raised in Manitowoc, WI where he achieved the rank of Eagle Scout. He is a Certified Fund Raising Executive.

Pat and his wife Mara reside in Hudson where they and their children Maija and Tyler are members of St Mary Catholic Church. Maija is a student at the University of Wisconsin and Tyler, also an Eagle Scout, is a student at Hudson High School. Pat enjoys hiking, sporting clays and volunteering with his church.

Pat is a Vigil member of the Order of the Arrow, a recipient of the Founder's Award, James E. West Fellow and Paul Harris Fellow. He has been an active Rotarian for over 20 years, joining The Rotary Club of Hudson when he relocated to Hudson.

He is involved in Hudson's Art on the Green.

Marilyn Orr who retired after a 45 year career in health care administration has lived in Hudson since 2015. She holds a BS degree from The College of St. Mary, Omaha and an MBA from Wright State. Marilyn has become an active volunteer at St Mary Catholic Church, The Friends of the Hudson Library and the Villas of Hudson HOA serving on the boards of each organization.

Marilyn's interests include reading, literacy, cooking, church choir, classical piano and biking. The widow of a career USAF officer, Marilyn enjoys her three sons and six grandchildren.

Marilyn has previously been a member of the Xenia, Dover and Cincinnati City Rotary Clubs covering 20 years of service. She has worked with Inbound Exchange Students at Dover and chaired the Publicity Committee in Cincinnati. She believes in the international mission of Rotary especially where it concerns healthcare (Polio Plus) and literacy (establishing and rebuilding libraries). Marilyn also endorses the international youth exchanges and leadership programs that build better friendships and understanding among all people involved.



William Benoit who is the President of UH Portage Medical Center in Ravenna with a clinical background in Occupational Therapy. He holds a BA from Morehead State and a Master's in Occupational Therapy from The Medical College of Ohio. Bill's wife Kami is a visiting professor at The University of Akron and has also taught in the religious education program at St. Mary's Catholic Church. Bill serves on regional boards including the Akron Regional Hospital Association, The Treehouse of Bedford and the Child Advocacy Center.

Bill and Kami have resided in Hudson for five years with their daughters Hailey and Addison. They chose Hudson for its welcoming sense of community and the excellent schools. The family engages in many Hudson activities including golf, tennis, swimming, rock climbing, hiking and skiing.

As a member of Rotary, Bill's goal is to be more involved in and help improve the Hudson community. He states that "it

only took one meeting as a guest to decide that the Rotary Club was a group of individuals I wanted to be part of and I could not be more excited to help them achieve their local and international service project goals".

David Schweighoefer who is the chair of Day Ketterer's Health Care Law Practice Group providing strategic guidance to physicians, hospitals, and other health care providers regarding regulatory compliance and strategic business decisions. Prior to practicing law, David served as the CEO of hospitals in Wisconsin and Ohio and also served as COO of the Mt. Sinai Health Care System prior to its sale.

David has a Bachelors from Michigan State University, a Masters from the University of Michigan and a J.D. from Cleveland Marshall College of Law where he served as an Adjunct Professor of Law for eleven years. David and his wife Heidi and daughter Morgan have lived in Hudson since 1993. Heidi has recently stepped down as President of a hospital consulting firm she founded over 20 years ago. She is the primary driving force behind the formation of the Emergency Medical Services Outreach of Hudson. Morgan is a graduate of Hudson High School, a graduate of the College of Wooster and has a Masters from Kent State. She is attending law school at the University of Akron.

David states that " my reason for joining Rotary is not related to what benefit I could receive from such membership, but rather what I could contribute to Rotary and the community of Hudson. I hope that membership can assist the EMS of Hudson achieve its goals of improving the health status of its citizens".

If you are interested in learning more about the Rotary Club of Hudson, please contact Rich Warfield at [rwarfield@warfieldcompany.com](mailto:rwarfield@warfieldcompany.com). or view our website [www.rotaryhudson.org](http://www.rotaryhudson.org). You may also attend one of the weekly breakfast meetings held at Laurel Lake Retirement Community on Wednesdays at 7:15 a.m. as a guest of the Club.

Rotary members are People of Action applying leadership to solving social issues, tackling community challenges and finding lasting solutions to the world's systemic problems.





**Parade of Flags**

The Rotary Club of Twinsburg has taken over the popular and growing Twinsburg Parade of Flag program from its original local founder, Mark Gutowski. The Rotary is working with local boy scout troops in installing 3' X 5' American-made US flags on hundreds of tree lawns during the five flag holidays (Memorial Day, Flag Day, Independence Day, Patriot's Day-911 and Veterans Day.



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**Twinsburg Rotary Rocks**

The Rotary Club of Twinsburg was out in full force at the June 1 Rock the Park concert at Perici Amphitheater. The popular concert series is held regularly throughout the summer and attracts nearly 2,000 per show. Rotarians scanned tickets at the gate and hosted a 50/50 raffle that brought in over \$300 for the evening. The club also had an information tent set up where people could find out more about Rotary and spin a wheel for prizes such as Rotary drink koozies, tickets to another Rock the Park or lunch with our club at a regular meeting.



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**Twinsburg's Rotary River Run is back!**

The Twinsburg club's widely successful Rotary River Run is back and scheduled for three dates in July (Sun 7/8th, 15th and 22nd). For \$15 per person, participants can take a 25-minute trip down the scenic Tinkers Creek in one of club's brand new bright orange kayaks. At the end of the trip, paddlers are treated to a lunch of grilled hot dogs, chips, cookies, and soft drinks. The City of Twinsburg, Twinsburg CERT and the Twinsburg Fire Department are huge partners in this project and all proceeds from this year's event will go towards ongoing beautification projects within the community parks and common spaces. This year, the club is installing three new flagpoles at Twinsburg's fire station #2. Slots are filling up fast so register soon at: [twinsburgrotary.org](http://twinsburgrotary.org)

**Kayak 18 :**



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**Rotary Club of Twinsburg**  
Presents  
**Rotary River Run**  
KAYAKING DOWN TINKER'S CREEK  
SUNDAY JULY 8TH, 15TH & 22ND  
FIRST RUN BEGINS AT 10:00AM  
LAST RUN ENDS AT 4:00PM  
LAUNCHING AT EAST IDLEWOOD PARK  
ENDING AT GLENMEADOW PARK (FIELD 4)  
\*Please park at Glenmeadow Park (field #4 on Morraire)  
Shuttle service to launch location  
\$15.00/PERSON  
INCLUDES: KAYAK (1 PERSON), OAR, LIFEJACKET, BOTTLED WATER, HOTDOG, CHIPS (AT END OF RUN)  
\*12 AND UNDER MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT 18+  
FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT [TWINSBURGROTARY.ORG](http://TWINSBURGROTARY.ORG)  
FACEBOOK: ROTARY CLUB OF TWINSBURG  
SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE  
\*Weather & creek level permitting

**Rotary River Run is Back!**  
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PDG Jack Young, Past Board of Director member for SB USA and Board of Director Emeritus, has been notified by the Shelter Box USA office that Shelter Box has been nominated to receive the Nobel Peace Prize in 2018.



This nomination is great acknowledgement that Shelter Box provides much more than shelter to those in need and is the foundation for recovery and stability needed for peace one family at a time in the world.

According to PDG Young, just to be nominated is an honor for Shelter Box and Rotary. Winners will be announced in October this year. A special thank you is extended to all of those who have supported Shelter

Edward G. Thomas  
 Rotary Club of Cleveland  
 Historian, Rotary District 6630

It was a pleasant surprise to see Michael Sangiacomo's article ("Dad turned grief into hope with Easter Seals") in the Sunday, June 17, issue of the Plain Dealer. In the article, Mr. Sangiacomo put a spotlight on Edgar F. "Daddy" Allen, whose work more than a century ago on behalf of crippled children (the term used at the time) led to the founding of the Easter Seals organization.

I first became aware of Mr. Allen's wonderful work when I wrote the history of the Rotary Club of Cleveland to commemorate its 100th anniversary in 2011. I delved into the story in more depth when I wrote The History of Rotary District 6630: The "Home" of Arch C. Klumph in 2016. What Mr. Sangiacomo's article failed to explain was the role that Rotary clubs played in the founding of Easter Seals. So, for the benefit of those who have not read the district history, here is the rest of the story.

As Mr. Sangiacomo pointed out, Edgar Allen got involved as the result of a streetcar accident in Elyria in 1907 that took the lives of his son and eight other people. Recognizing the role that the lack of a local hospital played in the tragedy, he set about raising money for a hospital to serve Elyria. After the Elyria Memorial Hospital was built in 1908 and the Gates Hospital for Crippled Children opened in 1915, Mr. Allen realized that it was not a case of "if you build it, they will come." To convince the parents of crippled children to actually use the facilities at Gates Hospital, Edgar Allen went out into the surrounding communities and "sold" the idea. Eventually, they did bring their children and the hospital became a success.

From this experience, Mr. Allen realized that there was a need for community-based programs for crippled children, where help could be provided closer to home. To help him solve this problem, Mr. Allen turned to Ro-

tarians, including those at the Rotary Club of Elyria, which was chartered in 1918 and had inducted Edgar F. Allen as an honorary member. Once again, Mr. Allen went on the road to sell an idea, and this time his audiences were the members of Ohio Rotary clubs. In May of 1919, the Rotary Clubs of Elyria, Cleveland, and Toledo joined together to form the Ohio Society for Crippled Children (OSCC). The organization, whose members were all Rotarians, served as a support network to help bring about the needed community-based aid to crippled children. Among those from the Rotary Club of Cleveland who took part in the founding of OSCC was Arch C. Klumph, past president of the Rotary Club of Cleveland (1913-14), past president of Rotary International (1916-17), and "Founding Father" of The Rotary Foundation.

By June of 1920, 22 Rotary clubs in Ohio had become members of the OSCC, paying \$4.00 per member in dues. Plans were underway in Cincinnati and Dayton to build new hospitals for crippled children.

Now that there was an organization to work with, Rotarians around the state showed their support for "The Ohio Plan," an idea of Edgar Allen's that called for state aid for the care of crippled children. Mr. Allen hit the road again, delivering a speech entitled, "Is It Worthwhile" to Rotary clubs and countless other groups, essentially making the case for state funding for crippled children's hospitals and treatment facilities and programs.

With the aid of the Rotarians in the state, who sent thousands of telegrams to their legislators, a bill to provide state support for crippled children's programs was passed in April of 1921. According to an article in the July 1921 issue of The Rotarian magazine, upon signing the bill into law, Governor Harry L. Davis stated, "The people have the Rotary Clubs, and not me, to thank for this day. It is one of the most gratifying acts of my life to sign this measure." The bill provided for proper physical, mental, medical, and surgical treatment of crippled children, and it also provided for the

payment of travel expenses of such children to seek treatment.

Ohio Rotarians not only helped in the establishment of the OSCC and pushed for the passage of the legislation cited above, but they also developed numerous programs within their clubs to: (1) identify local crippled children needing medical attention, (2) work with the parents to get them to bring their children to local clinics, and (3) provide transportation to and from the facilities.

By this time, organizations similar to the OSCC had been founded in other states, including New York, Michigan, Indiana, Kentucky, and Pennsylvania. In recognition of the growth of the "Crippled Children's Movement," in 1921, Edgar Allen joined with Rotary founder Paul Harris and the Rotary district governors of Ohio, New York, and Michigan to form the National Society for Crippled Children. Because of the interest among several Canadian Rotary clubs in the "movement," the organization was renamed as the International Society for Crippled Children in 1922. This is the entity that eventually became the Easter Seals Society. Paul Harris, the founder of Rotary, was the first chairman of the board of directors of the ISCC.

While there is no doubt that the major force in the "Crippled Children's Movement" in Ohio and throughout the nation was Edgar F. Allen, it is unlikely that the "movement" would have been the success it was without the dedication and grass roots work of thousands of Rotarians. It is also clear that the path that led to the founding of the Easter Seals Society was built upon the hard work of these same Rotarians.

Those who would like to know more about the history of the "Crippled Children's Movement" might like to read a publication called Care of the Crippled Child, which was published by the Rotary Club of Elyria in 1973. It's available on the website of the Disability History Museum at <http://www.disabilitymuseum.org/dhm/lib/detail.html?id=952&&page=1>.